

Edina Affordable Housing Task Force
Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2005

Present: Bob Aderhold, Michael Bartus, Valerie Burke, Hal Clapp, Kandace Ellis, Michael Fischer, John Helling, Jeff Huggett, Mike Huck, Sally Krusell, C. Scott Massie, Douglas Mayo, Barb McFarlane, Sharon Ming, Cappy Moore, Carol Mork, Joan Naymark, Skip Thomas, Judy VanOsdel, and Janice Williams

Absent: Phyllis Brevig and Doug Johnson (excused)

Edina Staff Representative(s): Susan Heiberg (absent)

Project Consultants: Dave Engstrom, Rich McLaughlin, Helene Shear and Rick Peterson

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

Minutes were reviewed with the task force. Sally Krusell made the motion to approve the minutes. Mike Fischer seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Dave Engstrom called for the nomination of the task force chairperson. Cappy Moore nominated Doug Mayo. Mike Fischer seconded the nomination. Doug Mayo accepted the nomination. The task force approved the nomination and selection of Doug Mayo as Chairperson of the Edina Affordable Housing Task Force.

Dave Engstrom provided clarification of the Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Act. Basic points were:

1. The Metro Council gave no LCA Affordable Housing grants to the City.
2. No request for grants came from the City.
3. The LCA AH Grants are evaluated with a point system that gives points for:
 - Home ownership
 - Duration of ownership
 - Participation by community
 - Needs of the community
 - Other funding sources
 - Housing for special needs

Craig Larson, City of Edina Planner, will attend the next meeting to discuss the City's position on the Livable Communities Act.

Rick Peterson reviewed some basic graphics and photographs about the history of Edina. The information focused on the sequence of land area that developed from the 1930s to the present. Also presented was a draft proposal of divisions of Edina into neighborhood districts for purposes of the task force.

Rich added commentary about geography, old and new planning assumptions and how it affected Edina as development progressed through time. He also discussed current building typology and the need for the task force to understand fundamentals about this. The next step is to develop a typology of building types.

Task Force Members made the following comments:

- Would like to see overlays of original townships, villages and farms and how they were annexed through time.
- Would like to see more articles about this
- Part of the comprehensive plan was to create neighborhoods.
- Edina was the first city to have a full-time planning staff.
- It would be great if we could create a blog to distribute and make this information available to the task force.

Helene Shear provided an overview of task force committees. The three committees will be: Finance and Policy, Supportive Services, and Urban Design and Architecture. The purpose of the committees is to work on the impact of the specific area on the development and maintenance of affordable housing whether ownership or rental. All committees will overlap to a degree. Each committee will report at the task force meetings, which will allow input from all members. Post-it signs were placed in hallway, and members were asked to sign up for a committee as they left the meeting.

Hal Clapp announced a MICA Forum on housing on Jan 30 @ Plymouth Church, with registration at 3:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 AM.